



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Richard H. Gettys Middle School
 Pickens County
 Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 1,357
 Principal: Michael S. Cory
 Superintendent: Dr. Kelly Pew, Ph. D.
 Board Chair: Judy Edwards

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2012	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	B	N/A
2011	Good	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A

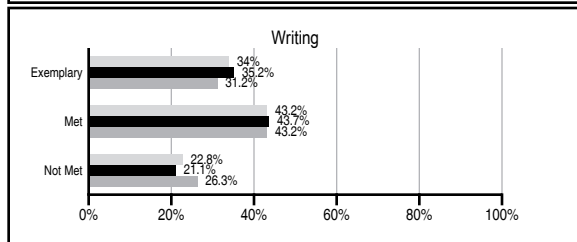
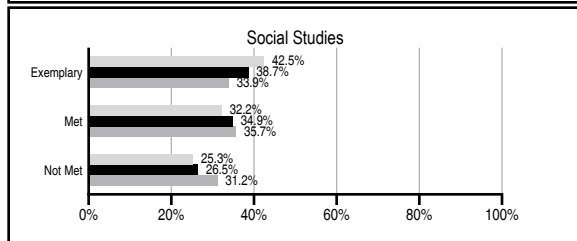
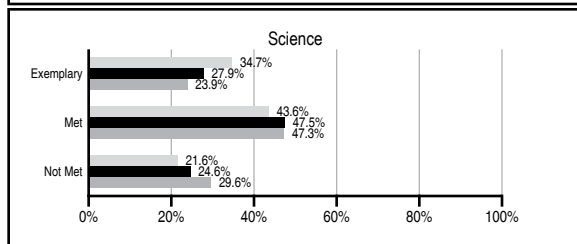
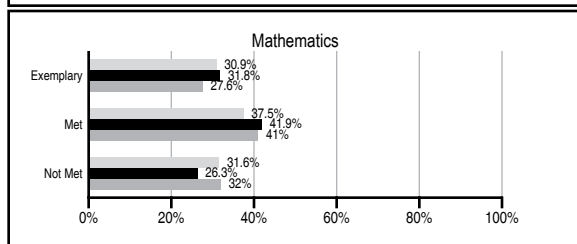
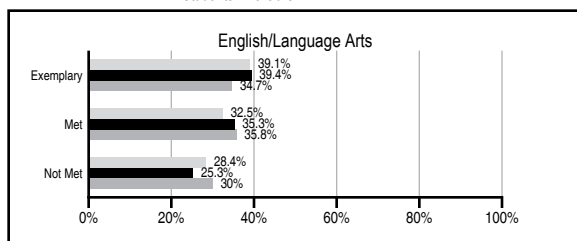
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
7	20	17	1	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)

South Carolina	28	45	25	2
Nation	25	43	29	3
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)

South Carolina	30	38	25	7
Nation	28	39	26	8
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2011)

South Carolina	39	32	27	1
Nation	36	32	29	2
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	98.8	96.7
English 1	99.2	94.2
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	99.0	96.3

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=1,357)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	61.7%	Up from 56.4%	28.5%	24.6%
Retention rate	0.3%	Up from 0.0%	0.5%	0.6%
Attendance rate	95.9%	No Change	96.0%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	27.3%	N/A	23.4%	18.5%
With disabilities	12.4%	N/A	11.5%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	5.6%	N/A	4.2%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.2%	Up from 1.1%	1.0%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=77)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.1%	Up from 67.5%	61.4%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	85.7%	Up from 84.4%	79.3%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.5%	Up from 85.5%	88.1%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 96.1%	94.6%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,598	Up 2.5%	\$47,669	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	12.8 days	No Change	11.3 days	10.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.8 to 1	Down from 24.7 to 1	23.1 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.8%	Down from 91.2%	89.8%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.0%	Up from 94.9%	99.0%	99.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,800	Down 8.2%	\$6,999	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.0%	Down from 62.1%	64.0%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.0%	Up from 56.9%	61.0%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	85.2	Down from 87.1	87.6	83.5

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	69	425	98
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.3%	68.2%	88.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.8%	67.9%	66.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87%	80.4%	82.7%

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Gettys Middle School students, staff, administration, and community are "Making Gettys Great." The 2012-2013 school year has been a very successful year at Gettys Middle School. We have set high expectations for our students learning and development. Our school's absolute rating was the highest we achieved in the past ten years and higher than 71% of all middle schools in South Carolina.

Academically, our students have achieved award winning excellence. Our schools second consecutive Palmetto Silver Award by the SC State Department of Education recognized our continuing high academic performance. Our focus on literacy initiatives produced our school and district's award winning Lieutenant Governor's Writing Award. A record number of students received Presidential Academic Excellence awards as well as dedicated participation in our National Junior Honor Society and BETA Clubs. Our students completed MAP testing, aligned to the Common Core standards, to chart their individual growth in Math and English and numerous students have shown outstanding gains. At the school level, several students enrolled in our new Gateway to Technology course in the area of Science and Technology. Other successful clubs were the STEM-based Robotics Club that hosted a district competition, History Club and Math Counts that increased student engagement and academic success.

Our goals are to achieve academic excellence, positive character development, and successful partnerships with our families and communities. Each of these goals was accomplished with award-winning efforts and people working together. We were recognized for our efforts in character development by receiving the 2012 Promising Practices Award for one programs: Pathways to Progress. Our Red Carpet Award school received the 2013 Safe Kids School Award for our emphasis on safety and student wellness. The Bridges to Success academic program that meets the needs of at-risk learners showed excellent results. Our teacher's outstanding efforts were recognized as well. A band teacher received South Carolina's Young Music Educator of the Year Award. Our parent's Bucks for Books committee as well as continued support from Bi-Lo charities contributed to our media center's fundraising campaign. Our efforts on character education produced award lunches for hundreds of students that was sponsored by our PTO organization. We also benefited from tremendous support from our Breaker Buddies mentoring program and Clemson University's Middle Passage. Our students conducted numerous service projects and donated to several community charities. Athletically, all of our teams had successful seasons. Our Fine Arts received numerous county, region and state awards. An Art student received recognition by the Pickens County Cultural Commission. We are extremely grateful to our students, staff, volunteers and PTO parent organization for a very successful year. Working together we can continue to "Make Gettys Great!"

Michael Cory, Principal and Twon Austin, SIC Chairman

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